Sam LeFlore- John Lacey/ Soccer

Each player flew a balloon in honor of John Lacey.

Everyone came out in rememberance of John Lacey last Tuesday, when the soccer team held a ceremony in his honor.

John graduated from Charlotte Catholic in 2010 and was a freshman at High Point University.

During the ceremony the team retired John’s jersey, number 8, and each player on the team flew a balloon for him. Coach Del Pino got up and said a few words about John and his love for the game, and a speech was prepared for John as well.

“John was my brother’s best friend, whom I’ve known since I was four,” said Junior Tress Keogh. “I thought the ceremony was fantastic. It honored John and his love for the game.”

John was a great person who was always there to support his friends, whether it was on the soccer field, in the classroom, or in chorus class. John loved soccer, music, and video games, but most importantly he loved people.

“I hope everyone remembers his great energy and spirit. He changed everyone’s life that he came into contact with and always reminded people to smile,” said Keogh.

Everyone on the soccer team is now wearing “J.L.” on the sleeve of their jersey so that John will never be forgotten on the field. During the ceremony they mentioned John’s favorite song “I Will Be Light.”